

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 990

By Shaw

A RESOLUTION to honor and applaud head coach Rick Rudesill and the Bolivar Central High School boys' basketball team on capturing the TSSAA Division I Class AA State Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, led by head coach Rick Rudesill, the Bolivar Central High School boys' basketball team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2010 season, establishing a record of thirty-two wins and four losses and winning Bolivar Central's third TSSAA Division I Class AA State Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Tigers rolled into the state playoffs as the District 14 and Region 7 champions, manhandling their opponents during the state quarterfinals and the state semifinals, and advancing into the Division I Class AA State Championship game, held March 20, 2010, at Middle Tennessee State University's Murphy Center in Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, Bolivar Central completed their amazing season by soundly defeating district rival Liberty High School 72-62 and capturing the state championship trophy; and

WHEREAS, the championship game was highlighted by the outstanding performance of Bolivar Central's senior guard, Jay Murphy, who scored twenty-four points, and earned Most Valuable Player honors for the state tournament; and

WHEREAS, the leadership and passion for the game of head coach Rick Rudesill and assistant coaches William McBroom and Cameron Clift are without peer; Coach Rudesill's precepts of playing tenacious defense, controlling the ball on offense, and limiting mistakes were perfectly on display during the Tigers' run for the championship; and

WHEREAS, the young men of the 2010 Bolivar Central High School boys' basketball team have displayed ability, teamwork, and perseverance. Players Rodney Walker, Chris Woods, Kooper Kessler, Trelinco Polk, Jay Murphy, Oneal Woods, Tyler Price, Desmond Robertson, Tevin Coleman, Ricky Tisdale, Frank Hayes, Kegan Fuller, and Derek Kemp and managers Stephone Harris, Frederick Perry, and William Turner, with the help of their coaches, parents, teachers, school administrators, supporters, and many fans, represented their school and the State of Tennessee in fine fashion, displaying peerless character both on and off the basketball court; and

WHEREAS, during this incredible championship season, the members of the Bolivar Central High School boys' basketball team have etched their names onto the hearts of Tennesseans and into the annals of Tennessee sports history; their dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent not only made possible a successful and memorable basketball season, but also surely point toward their successes in future endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate head coach Rick Rudesill and the Bolivar Central High School boys' basketball team for their heralded success on the basketball court and for capturing the TSSAA Division I Class AA State Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.